



Birthdays

Davey Ferrell 7/01

John Flynt 7/01

Jason Hayes 7/01

Rob Vaughter 7/02

Ted Pertiller 7/07

Paul Diawara 7/08

William Murray 7/09

Ken Honeycutt 7/12

Ben Honeycutt 7/12

Brian Lowe 7/13

David Simms 7/14

Jamie Layhew 7/16

Bobby Brewer 7/18

Chad Davis 7/24

Lance Sutton 7/24

Titus Jackson 7/26

Mike Keith 7/28

David Wade 7/28

Laurie Alsup 7/29

MFRD HONORS STATION 8 CREW FOR RESCUE

Five personnel from Station 8 were presented plaques for “Outstanding Job Performance and Life Saving Efforts” on May 30, following their rescue of a 16-year-old female from her burning Northfield Lodge apartment. On May 21, Ladder 8 and Rescue 8 responded to a fire at 603 E. Northfield with heavy smoke and flames showing in the stairwell. Driver Jimmy Barrett and Firefighter Troy Thomas were able to rescue the victim, Sharanel Nieves, using a ground ladder to retrieve her from her second floor bedroom. Driver Clay Estes and Firefighter Julia Pitt worked quickly to extinguish the fire in the stairwell.

In the presence of staff, City of Murfreesboro dignitaries, family, and members of the media, Chief Gaines



presented awards to the entire crew, which also included Captain Hunter Fite. Gaines expressed that it was the effort of the team that made this rescue a success.

Ms. Enid Santiago, mother of the victim was also in attendance. Miss Nieves was on a summer vacation with her family in Puerto Rico.

Pictured (Left to Right): Firefighter Troy Thomas, Firefighter Julia Pitt, Captain Hunter Fite, Enid Santiago, Driver Clay Estes, Driver Jimmy Barrett, and fellow crewmember, Firefighter Greg Burt.

FF OF THE MONTH JULY AND AUGUST 2012

Captain Hunter Fite, Drivers Jimmy Barrett and Clay Estes, and Firefighters Troy Thomas and Julia Pitt received Firefighter of the Month for July and August 2012. The group received this honor for the above-mentioned rescue. Fite has been with department since November 1995, Barrett since August 1990, Estes since February 2001, Thomas since October 1988, and Pitt since December 2010.

MFRD WELCOMES FOUR FIREFIGHTERS

Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department welcomed four new firefighters to the department in June. Firefighters Chad Davis, Kevin Defeo, Matt Roeger, and Ashley Welcome attended orientation June 28-July 3. All new personnel will begin their rotation at Headquarters. Davis will be on A-Shift, Welcome on B-Shift, and Defeo and Roeger on C-Shift.



Pictured (Left to Right): Welcome, Roeger, Davis, and Defeo.

What has MFRD been up to lately?



MFRD's Special Events Team made it's debut at the Duck Derby on June 23. The second event was the July 4th Fireworks show at McKnight Park. We are very proud to be able to offer this service to the citizens of Murfreesboro and be a part of our local events.



All personnel received brochures on the new PPO and HRA plans from Human Resources. Any questions can be emailed to benefits@murfreesborotn.gov. Your three Benefits Communications Committee Members are Admin Support Specialist Ashley McDonald, Shift Commander Tim Swann, and Driver Adam Petrig.



The department received new Bionic Droid phones. The technology available on these phones is endless. We will be able to use them for GPS, Hazmat, etc. Please be sure to read the memo associated with the distribution of the phones and if you have an app recommendations that could be useful to the department, please notify your supervisor.



MFRD was approved for the purchase of new radios. The radio model is the 7000XE Extreme. Projected date for distribution of new radios is toward the end of July.



MFRD recently purchased firefighter rehabilitation equipment: 2 Cool Draft Cooling Fans with Wheel Cart; 6 Cool Draft Cooling Vests with Freezer, and 1 Big FOGG Mid-pressure Misting Tent. This equipment is now in a truck and ready for deployment.



Captain Joe Barrett and Driver Kurt McMahan attended Radiation Monitoring class in Mercury, Nevada in June.



**July
Anniversaries**

30 YEARS
Mary Madding

25 YEARS
Bob Decker



COW MILKING CONTEST TITLE RETAINED BY MFRD



Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department walked away with another "First Place" cow-milking title after this year's Annual Dairy Days Milking Contest. The contest is sponsored each year by the Rutherford County Extension Agency. Participants from MFRD, MPD, and Rutherford County Sheriff's Department face off with a milking contest in addition to other activities. The event was held at Lane Agripark on June 13. Captain Joe Barrett and Driver Kurt McMahan (MFRD) led the department to victory for the fourth year in a row!

MFRD Admin will
be CLOSED
Wed. July 4th
in observance of
Independence
Day